GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:11
ANSWERED ON:25.04.2016
Landholding of Tribals
Parthipan Shri R.

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tribals in the country possess small and uneconomical landholdings and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the tribals remain chronically indebted due to variety of reasons including low crop yield and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the tribals are participating in occupational activities in the secondary and tertiary sectors and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(d) whether the Government has any special packages/plans for upliftment of tribals in the country including Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *11 for 25.04.2016 by Shri R. PARTHIPAN, MP, regarding 'Landholdings of Tribals'.

(a): Distribution of households by size category of land holdings for social groups are given below:

(in %)

Category of holdings (land size class in ha)	Household Social Groups			
ST	SC	OBC	Others	all (including N.R.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Landless (<=0.002)	9.41	7.18	6.98	7.40	7.41
Marginal (0.002-1.000)	68.83	85.70	75.25	70.22	75.42
Small (1.000-2.000)	14.64	4.77	10.43	11.31	10.00
Above Small (> 2.000)	7.13	2.35	7.34	11.07	7.18
All Sizes	100	100	100	100	100

Source: National Sample Survey (NSS) Report No. 571: Household Ownership and Operational Holdings in India
ha: hectare, N.R.: Not Reported.

(b): No, Madam. Incidence of Indebtedness (IOI) for ST households in rural areas has declined in 2013 as compared to 2003. Also, IOI for STs is much lower than SCs, OBC and Others as per details given below:

Incidence of Indebtedness (IOI) by Social Group

Social Group	IOI (%)	
rural		
	2003	2013
Scheduled Tribe (ST)	17.9	16.9
Scheduled Caste (SC)	27.1	30.9
Other Backward Class (OBC)	28.9	35.7
Others	25.7	31.4
all	26.5	31.4

Source: Key Indicators of Debt & Investment Survey 2013 & NSS report no. 503, 2003

(c): Yes, Madam. All India position is as under:
Per 1000 distribution of workers in usual status (ps+ss) by broad industry of work for each social group

all-India
Household
Social Group Broad Industry of Work
Primary Secondary Tertiary all
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
Scheduled Tribe 704 179 117 1000
Scheduled Caste 490 295 216 1000
Other Backward Class 506 238 256 1000
Others 381 236 383 1000
all 489 243 268 1000
Source: NSS Report No.563: Employment and Unemployment Situation among Social Groups in India.
ps: principal status, ss: subsidiary status.

Per 1000 ST households distribution in different sectors for each State / UT in rural and urban areas are given at Annexure I and II, respectively.

(d): Central and State Governments, including State Government of Tamil Nadu, have been taking various initiatives under Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) Strategy to ensure that in all development programmes tribals get their due. This addresses education, health, sanitation, water supply, livelihood, etc. issues to improve their economic, educational and social conditions.
Apart from above, Ministry of Tribal Affairs administers two special area programmes namely Special Central Assistance (SCA) to Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) in 23 States and Grants under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution wherein funds are provided to 28 States (including Telangana since 2.6.2014). Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY) has been adopted as a strategic process to ensure effective utilization of available financial resources under TSP.
Following educational schemes for STs are also being administered:

1. Umbrella Scheme (consisting of following sub-schemes)

a. Pre - Matric Scholarships for ST students
b. Post Matric Scholarships for ST students
c. Constructions of Hostels for ST Boys & Girls
d. Ashram Schools
e. Vocational Training Centre

2. National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education of ST students consisting of following sub-schemes:

a. Top Class Education for ST students
b. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST students

3. National Overseas Scholarships for ST students.
4. Following schemes are also implemented by MoTA:
(i) Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and Development of Value Chain for MFP.
(ii) Grants-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes.
(iii) Strengthening Education among Scheduled Tribe Girls in Low Literacy Districts.
(iv) Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs)
(v) Research Information & Mass Education, Tribal Festival and Others.

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Annexures I and II referred to in reply to part (c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Parliament Question No.*11 for answer on 25.04.2016.
Annexure I
Per 1000 distribution of ST households by household type of each State / UT
Rural
State / UT Self-employed in Regular wage/ salary earning Casual labour in Others All (incl. Not Reported)
Agriculture Non- agri culture Sub total Agriculture Non-agri culture Sub total
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) (10)
Andhra Pradesh 342 82 424 52 379 48 427 98 1000
Arunachal Pradesh 722 51 774 136 2 9 11 79 1000
Assam 526 219 745 44 103 52 155 55 1000
Bihar 237 84 322 30 396 60 457 192 1000
Chhattisgarh 562 31 593 59 246 37 283 64 1000
Delhi 0 0 0 1000 0 0 0 0 1000

Goa 4 340 344 394 40 223 263 0 1000
Gujarat 466 77 543 58 294 53 347 52 1000
Haryana 149 163 313 90 0 359 359 238 1000
Himachal Pradesh 393 136 529 171 0 264 264 36 1000
Jammu & Kashmir 291 129 420 252 39 258 297 32 1000
Jharkhand 570 81 652 32 71 167 238 79 1000
Karnataka 397 52 450 64 358 70 428 58 1000
Kerala 132 89 221 132 415 212 627 20 1000
Madhya Pradesh 396 38 435 56 297 164 461 48 1000
Maharashtra 315 33 348 54 402 105 508 90 1000
Manipur 532 194 726 212 27 13 40 22 1000
Meghalaya 439 207 646 153 112 52 164 37 1000
Mizoram 698 108 807 153 0 27 27 14 1000
Nagaland 578 123 701 218 0 4 4 77 1000
Odisha 395 138 533 42 233 160 393 32 1000
Punjab 0 656 656 0 0 344 344 0 1000
Rajasthan 415 57 473 37 38 426 464 27 1000
Sikkim 569 85 654 236 0 74 75 35 1000
Tamil Nadu 306 8 314 81 342 80 422 183 1000
Tripura 296 157 453 67 53 351 404 71 1000
Uttarakhand 350 381 731 69 26 60 86 114 1000
Uttar Pradesh 401 188 589 83 97 142 240 88 1000
West Bengal 193 78 272 78 518 106 623 27 1000
A & N Islands 618 12 630 249 49 0 49 72 1000
Chandigarh 0 0 0 1000 0 0 0 0 1000
Dadra & Nagar Haveli 255 59 314 318 8 130 138 230 1000
Daman & Diu 69 0 69 874 56 0 56 0 1000
Lakshadweep 30 117 147 424 61 191 252 176 1000
Puducherry 0 0 0 0 1000 0 1000 0 1000
All India 414 81 495 63 245 139 383 59 1000
Source: NSS Report No.563: Employment and unemployment situation among social groups in India, 2011-12

Annexure II
Per 1000 distribution of ST households by household type of each State / UT
Urban
State/UT Self employed Regular wage / salary earning Casual labour others All (incl. Not Reported)
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)
Andhra Pradesh 200 491 142 167 1000
Arunachal Pradesh 222 609 74 95 1000
Assam 412 437 7 144 1000
Bihar 569 98 333 0 1000
Chhattisgarh 211 330 298 161 1000
Delhi 326 608 66 0 1000
Goa 101 899 0 0 1000
Gujarat 219 454 154 173 1000
Haryana 160 198 623 19 1000
Himachal Pradesh 205 102 0 693 1000
Jammu & Kashmir 154 502 83 261 1000
Jharkhand 178 361 205 255 1000
Karnataka 211 328 264 196 1000
Kerala 96 622 141 141 1000
Madhya Pradesh 125 491 230 152 1000
Maharashtra 145 581 128 147 1000
Manipur 543 233 33 192 1000
Meghalaya 252 455 132 161 1000
Mizoram 348 520 72 59 1000
Nagaland 223 643 19 115 1000
Odisha 143 289 389 179 1000
Punjab 370 630 0 0 1000
Rajasthan 141 466 214 179 1000
Sikkim 394 357 0 249 1000
Tamil Nadu 171 432 384 13 1000
Tripura 122 397 9 472 1000
Uttarakhand 74 288 0 638 1000
Uttar Pradesh 220 627 69 84 1000
West Bengal 100 518 179 203 1000
A & N Islands 0 825 0 175 1000
Chandigarh 829 171 0 0 1000
Dadra & Nagar Haveli 243 663 94 0 1000
Daman & Diu 0 533 467 0 1000
Lakshadweep 234 564 89 113 1000

Puducherry 0 1000 0 0 1000
All India 195 465 180 160 1000
Source: NSS Report No.563: Employment and unemployment situation among social groups in India, 2011-12